

City Council**Motion without Notice**

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Acquisition of the First Parliament Site, 271 Front Street East and 25 Berkeley Street - by Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie

- * This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.*
- * This Motion is not subject to a vote to waive referral.*
- * This Motion has been added to the agenda and is before Council for debate.*

Confidential Attachment - A proposed or pending acquisition or sale of land for municipal or local board purposes

Recommendations

Councillor Pam McConnell, seconded by Councillor Paul Ainslie, recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the recommendations contained in the staff report (July 11, 2012) from the Acting Chief Corporate Officer.

Summary

This Motion seeks authorization to introduce a Staff Report and Confidential Attachment with respect to an urgent matter dealing with the acquisition of Canada's First Parliament Site at 271 Front Street East and 25 Berkeley Street (the "Property").

The owner of the Property has recently submitted a development application for an as-of-right 5 storey, 15,893 square metre commercial building to house a Data Centre. He has informed City staff of his intentions to move forward with the development unless the major terms of the proposed land exchange transaction are approved by Council before the summer break.

If the development proceeds, the City would forever lose the opportunity to acquire this historic site for an appropriate commemoration as the location of Canada's First Parliament buildings.

(Submitted to City Council as MM25.54)